# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CULTURE
# LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF MEMORIALS IN ORISSA
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Union Government received proposals by the State Government of Orissa to develop and upgrade memorials of seven eminent Freedom Fighters of the country in that State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

## Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a)& (b) Yes, Sir. The Government has received proposals from State Government of Orissa for financial assistance for establishment of Memorial Museum of eminent Freedom Fighters of Orissa, which include:

1.National Memorial on Utkalmani Gopabandhu Das, Sakhigopal, Puri.

2. National Memorial of Utkal Gaurav Madhusudan Das, Cuttack.

3. Memorial on Bagha Jatin, Balasore.

4.Biju Patnaik Birth Place Museum & Library, Cuttack.

5. Memorial Museum at Khinda, (Sambalpur Distt.).

6. Memorial Museum at Ghens (Bargarh Distt.).

7. Memorial Museum at Simco (Sundargarh Distt.)

(c) Government of India has constituted a National Implementation Committee under the Chairmanship of Minister for Human Resource Development to chalk out the programmes/activities in commemoration of 150th Anniversary of First War of Independence 1857 and other related events. The Proposals at Serial No.1 to 4 above, which were received from the Government of Orissa in relation to the commemoration of 150th Anniversary of First War of Independence 1857, were considered by this committee. The committee has taken a view that the State Government may take up these projects from their own resources. As regards proposals at Serial No. 5 to 7 above, the same have been received only recently and are under consideration.